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As provided in detail in the attached, the patentee respectfully requests that a Certificate of Correction be granted in the above-identified patent to correct mistakes in a patent, incurred through the fault of the Office.

Under 37 CFR 1.322, "The Commissioner may issue a certificate of correction pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 254 to correct a mistake in a patent, incurred through the fault of the Office, which mistake is clearly disclosed in the records of the Office at the request of the patentee or the patentee's assignee."

The Patentee furthermore requests Expedited Issuance of this Certificate of Correction in accordance with MPEP § 1480.01. Specifically, this section provides that:

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In telephone conversations with Director Dwyer conducted between September 11 and September 23, 2003, agreement was reached that the Patent Office would issue a *Certificate of Correction* to add to the face of the patent citations of the patent references cited below, which were considered by the Examiner in the present application, but, apparently due to Patent Office error, were not included on the face of the patent.

EP	0 072 216	2/1983*	cited in the IDS filed March 7, 2001
EP	0 329 482	8/1989	cited in the IDS filed March 7, 2001
JP	48-033964	10/1973	cited in the IDS filed September 25, 2002
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The Applicant has repeatedly requested that the Patent Office issue a *Certificate of Correction* in accordance with our general understanding. However, in a recent telephone conversation, Supervisory Examiner Carl Whitehead requested that Applicant prepare and file a *Request for Certificate of Correction*. Since the Applicant believes the *Request* is necessitated by Patent Office error in failure to timely process the PTO 1449 Forms, the Applicant believes such request may be filed without a fee and have request expedited handling for the same.

The Applicant has attached copies of the PTO 1449 Forms, which show an indication of the Examiner's consideration of the references noted above. As one may notice, the date of consideration ("10/25/04") is after issuance of the '450 patent. It is important to note the following facts, which support correction of the '450 patent: (1) that the Applicant submitted copies of these references in Information Disclosure Statements filed November 8, 2000, March 7, 2001, and September 25, 2002; (2) that the Applicant requested consideration of the references noted above at page 3 of the *Amendment* filed November 4, 2002, almost 11 months prior to the issuance of the '450 patent; (3) that the Examiner improperly failed to consider these references as evidenced by the partially considered PTO 1449 Forms attached to the Notice of Allowance mailed February 11, 2003; (4) that the Applicant corrected the record and

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again requested consideration of these references in the *Request for Acknowledgment of Information Disclosure Statement* filed March 13, 2003; (5) that, as a courtesy to the Examiner, complete copies of these references were resubmitted along with a *Request for Consideration of References* on June 12, 2003, more than three months prior to the issuance of the '450 patent; (6) that the Applicant fully complied with all rules regarding Information Disclosure Statements and that all references were available to the Examiner for consideration well before the issuance of the '450 patent on September 23, 2003; (7) that apparently due to Patent Office error, an indication of the Examiner's consideration of these references was not sent to the Applicant until October 26, 2004; and (8) that the Patent Office would issue a *Certificate of Correction* to correct these matters.

Specifically, the following errors appear to have occurred through the fault of the Office, and the patentee respectfully requests correction thereof.

Page 1, column 2, before line 1:

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* Although EP '216 was originally cited with a publication date of 4/1989, the Applicant notes that the correct publication date is 2/1983.

As the errors were incurred through the fault of the Office, a fee is not believed to be necessary. Should it be determined that a fee is necessary, any deficiencies or overages in any fees due in connection with this patent and the requested actions should be applied to Deposit Account No. 50-2280(0756-1914).

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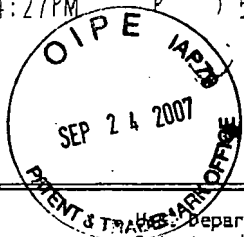
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